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The Kansas **wheat** crop is estimated at 300.8 million bushels, unchanged from the July 1 forecast but 21 percent less than the 2005 crop. Yield is estimated at 32 bushels per acre, down 8 bushels from a year ago. Acreage harvested for grain, at 9.4 million acres, is unchanged from July 1 but down 100,000 acres from last year.

Corn production is forecast at 393.8 million bushels, down 15 percent from the previous year's record production of 465.8 million bushels. Planted acreage is 3.40 million acres, 250,000 acres less than a year ago. Acreage expected to be harvested for grain is 3.15 million acres, down 300,000 acres from last year. Corn yields are expected to average 125 bushels per acre, 10 bushels below the 135 bushels per acre in 2005.

Kansas **sorghum grain** production is forecast at 131.1 million bushels, down 33 percent from 195.0 million bushels in 2005. Yields are expected to average 57 bushels per acre, down 18 bushels from last year's yield. Planted

acreage is 2.50 million acres, down 250,000 acres from 2005. Sorghum acreage to be harvested for grain, at 2.30 million acres, is down 300,000 acres from 2005.

Soybean production is forecast at 93.0 million bushels, down 12 percent from last year's production of 105.5 million bushels. Yield is forecast at 31 bushels per acre, down 6 bushels from last year's yield. Harvested acreage is expected to be 3.00 million acres, up 150,000 acres from the acreage harvested last year. Planted acres are estimated at 3.10 million, up 200,000 from 2005. If realized, planted and harvested acreage will be new record highs.

Cotton production is projected to reach 115,000 bales in 2006. Yield is forecast at 581 pounds of lint per acre. Planted acreage is 100,000 acres, up 26,000 acres from last year. Harvested acreage is forecast at 95,000, up 29,000 acres from last year.

Kansas Crop Production Forecast, August 1, 2006

Crop & Unit	Planted ^{1/}		Harvested		Yield per Acre ^{2/}		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 Acres				Per Unit		(000's)	
Winter Wheat, bu.	10,000	10,200	9,500	9,400	40	32	380,000	300,800
Oats, bu.	100	130	40	60	59	46	2,360	2,760
Corn Grain, bu.	3,650	3,400	3,450	3,150	135	125	465,750	393,750
Sorghum Grain, bu.	2,750	2,500	2,600	2,300	75	57	195,000	131,100
Soybeans, bu.	2,900	3,100	2,850	3,000	37	31	105,450	93,000
Dry Beans, cwt. ^{3/}	13.0	11.0	12.5	10.0	2,200	2,100	275.0	210.0
Cotton, 480 lb. bales ^{3/}	74.0	100.0	66.0	95.0	638	581	87.7	115.0
All Hay, tons	-	-	2,900	2,900	2.30	1.90	6,680	5,500
Alfalfa Hay, tons	-	-	850	900	4.00	3.00	3,400	2,700
Other Hay, tons	-	-	2,050	2,000	1.60	1.40	3,280	2,800

^{1/} Planted for all purposes. ^{2/} Production divided by harvested acres rounded to whole bushels. ^{3/} Yield in pounds.

U.S. Crop Production Forecast

UNITED STATES: All **wheat** production is placed at 1.80 billion bushels, down slightly from the July forecast and down 14 percent from 2005. Based on August 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 38.3 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month but 3.7 bushels below last year. **Winter wheat** production is forecast at 1.28 billion bushels. This is up slightly from last month but 14 percent below 2005. The U.S. yield is forecast at 41.2 bushels per acre, up 0.1 bushel from July 1. Acres for harvest as grain are forecast at 31.1 million, unchanged from last month but down 8 percent from 2005.

The 2006 **sorghum grain** production forecast is 296 million bushels, down 25 percent from 2005. If realized, this would be the lowest production since 1956. Based on August 1 conditions, yield is forecast at 55.8 bushels per acre, down 12.9 bushels from 2005. Kansas, the largest producing state, expects a yield of 57.0 bushels, 18.0 bushels below 2005. The yield forecast for Texas is 48.0 bushels per acre, down 12.0 bushels from 2005. Acreage expected to be harvested for in the U.S. in 2006, 5.32 million acres, unchanged from the June estimate but 7 percent below 2005.

Corn production is forecast at 11.0 billion bushels, down 1 percent from last year and 7 percent below 2004. Based on August 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 152.2 bushels per acre, up 4.3 bushels from last year. If realized, yields would be the second largest and production would be the third largest on record. The largest yield increase is in Illinois, where farmers expect to average 172 bushels per acre, 29 bushels above last year's drought-reduced yield. The largest yield decreases are expected in Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, and North Dakota. Acreage for harvest is estimated at 72.1 million acres, unchanged from June but down 4 percent from 2005.

Soybean production is forecast at 2.93 billion bushels, down 5 percent from 2005 and down 6 percent from 2004. Based on August 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 39.6 bushels per acre, down 3.7 bushels from the record high U.S. yield set last year. Acreage for harvest is estimated at 73.9 million acres, unchanged from June but up 4 percent from 2005. Planted area and harvested area, if realized, are both the second largest on record.



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United States Crop Production Forecast, August 1, 2006

Crop & Unit	Planted 1/		Harvested		Yield per Acre		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 Acres				Per Unit		(000)	
All Wheat, bu.	57,229	57,873	50,119	47,084	42.0	38.3	2,104,690	1,801,355
Winter Wheat, bu.	40,433	41,393	33,794	31,108	44.4	41.2	1,499,129	1,283,134
Oats, bu.	4,246	4,312	1,823	1,907	63.0	56.3	114,878	107,423
Corn Grain, bu.	81,759	79,366	75,107	72,091	147.9	152.2	11,112,072	10,975,740
Sorghum Grain, bu.	6,454	6,282	5,736	5,317	68.7	55.8	393,893	296,453
Soybeans, bu.	72,142	74,930	71,361	73,935	43.3	39.6	3,086,432	2,927,634
Dry Beans, cwt. 2/	1,665.0	1,607.3	1,568.6	1,519.0	1,744	1,534	27,350	23,301
Cotton, 480 lb. bales 2/	14,245.4	15,276.0	13,802.6	12,815.0	831	765	23,890.2	20,431.0
All Hay, tons	-	-	61,649	62,697	2.44	2.27	150,590	142,326
Alfalfa Hay, tons	-	-	22,389	22,407	3.38	3.18	75,771	71,205
Other Hay, tons	-	-	39,260	40,290	1.91	1.77	74,819	71,121
Apples, lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,864.9	9,619.7

1/ Planted for all purposes. 2/ Yield in pounds.

Kansas Crop Production Forecast, August 1, 2006, by Districts

Crop And District	Acres Planted, All Purposes		Acres Harvested for Grain			Yield per Acre		Production		
	2005	2006	2005	2006	% Prev. Year	2005	2006	2005	2006	% Prev. Year
----- 1,000 Acres ----- Bushels 1,000 Bushels										
WINTER WHEAT										
Northwest	1,235	1,110	1,135	1,050	93	35	21	39,290	22,000	56
West Central	1,265	1,080	1,200	985	82	37	24	43,860	23,800	54
Southwest	1,640	1,660	1,550	1,420	92	44	23	68,130	32,800	48
North Central	1,365	1,550	1,320	1,500	114	41	44	54,030	66,500	123
Central	1,550	1,570	1,500	1,485	99	42	36	63,720	53,500	84
South Central	2,270	2,320	2,160	2,080	96	41	32	87,530	65,700	75
Northeast	195	220	185	215	116	43	46	7,940	9,900	125
East Central	160	230	150	220	147	32	46	4,790	10,200	213
Southeast	320	460	300	445	148	36	37	10,710	16,400	153
State	10,000	10,200	9,500	9,400	99	40	32	380,000	300,800	79
CORN										
Northwest	560	580	516	525	102	116	103	60,010	54,300	90
West Central	320	290	282	255	90	108	101	30,400	25,800	85
Southwest	800	690	752	645	86	185	189	139,020	122,200	88
North Central	245	240	235	220	94	122	100	28,600	22,100	77
Central	135	130	125	115	92	121	120	15,140	13,850	91
South Central	390	340	377	320	85	154	150	58,080	48,150	83
Northeast	540	540	519	510	98	130	111	67,550	56,800	84
East Central	310	280	300	265	88	105	92	31,610	24,500	78
Southeast	350	310	344	295	86	103	88	35,340	26,050	74
State	3,650	3,400	3,450	3,150	91	135	125	465,750	393,750	85
SOYBEANS										
Northwest	57	61	52	55	106	43	39	2,235	2,118	95
West Central	18	22	17	21	124	32	40	537	835	155
Southwest	100	112	98	109	111	55	53	5,409	5,804	107
North Central	319	360	314	352	112	42	30	13,089	10,462	80
Central	210	230	207	225	109	30	29	6,307	6,474	103
South Central	278	310	273	300	110	40	34	10,789	10,347	96
Northeast	593	650	589	624	106	45	34	26,478	21,027	79
East Central	673	720	660	692	105	35	29	22,889	20,051	88
Southeast	652	635	640	622	97	28	26	17,717	15,882	90
State	2,900	3,100	2,850	3,000	105	37	31	105,450	93,000	88